

ingest contamination to be made of the bedding and effects of the twenty-two victims, and will not pronounce an opinion as to whether the deaths were caused by the dreaded Asiatic cholera until the examination has been completed.

Dr. Biggs, consulting pathologist to the Board of Health, has been notified and will personally conduct the examinations. The first death occurred on Aug. 19, when two days out from Hamburg. There are 13 Poles, 3 Russians, 3 Hessians and 1 Athenian on the list of dead.

There are now two women sick in the ship's hospital, who the surgeon says have nearly recovered.

The Moravia is now anchored off Hoffman Island. None of the steerage passengers have as yet been landed, but trunks have been sent for and the transfer will be made with all possible haste.

Dr. Jenkins believes. Dr. Jenkins is very reticent and refuses to pronounce a flat-footed opinion. He says: "I got the surgeon's report at about 10 o'clock, and at once called Drs. Tallmadge and Sanborn, my deputies, in consultation. We arrived at a conclusion, but what it was I positively refuse at this time to say."

"You have observed," he added, in a suggestive way, "that the Asiatic cholera was diagnosed as cholera in all the infected parts by the local authorities at the outset, but subsequent developments proved every one of such cases to be the actual and genuine Asiatic plague."

Dr. Tallmadge refused to answer any questions whatever relative to the Moravia's destination. "I am not in authority," was his answer to all questions. "You must see Dr. Jenkins."

Dr. Tallmadge insisted, however, that he believed the crisis had come, and that from this time forward the closest vigil would be kept at the lower stations down the harbor to prevent the disease from getting as near even to the city as this station.

At 9.35, when the Moravia dropped anchor off Quarantine, there was no one who attempted to board her. The first effort was made by an EVENING WORLD reporter, just prior to her departure for Hoffman Island.

The reporter was warned that he would not be allowed to board the vessel and on his return to Quarantine wharf told Dr. Jenkins that he believed there was either cholera or some other contagion aboard.

The quarantine tug only drew up alongside the Moravia twice during the morning, and then only remained a few minutes.

Dr. Jenkins confesses that he attempted to avert suspicion from the ship.

He concluded that by staying away and making it appear that he had no fears for the reporters would not anticipate the true condition of affairs.

The Moravia will now be indefinitely detained. The passengers and crew, even to the cabin boy, will be landed on Hoffman Island. Every rag of clothing will be disinfected and every person bathed.

When the ship is cleaned she will be disinfected and the passengers then put aboard and detained there for an indefinite time, being obliged to land on the island daily for inspection and baths.

Not Boarded at Once. The Moravia belongs to the Hamburg-American Packet Company, and sailed from Hamburg on the 17th inst. She reached quarantine at 9.42 o'clock last night, with 258 steerage passengers on board.

It is now learned that the Moravia was not boarded by the Health officers, who ran alongside and returned to the shore immediately.

Later in the morning the Health boat went alongside again and the vessel hove up her anchor and went down the bay. Dr. Jenkins, while refusing to say whether there is or is not Asiatic cholera on board the steamer, admitted that the vessel was quarantined before she arrived.

He had an interview with Dr. Edson over the telephone and told him that he is fully prepared to make a bacteriological examination of the cases of illness now on board at the laboratories on Hoffman and Swinburne Islands. He went down the bay immediately to start the investigation.

Before starting down the bay Health Officer Jenkins telegraphed Secretary of State Foster notifying him of the twenty-two deaths from so-called cholera on board the Moravia during her voyage.

The transfer tug J. G. Edmunds arrived here at 2.30 P. M. and will be used to transfer the Moravia's passengers and crew to Hoffman Island. The disinfecting process will be commenced to-night under the personal supervision of Dr. Jenkins.

The Circassian, with her steerage full of passengers, is still held, but Dr. Jenkins declares that there is no sickness aboard.

Dr. Jenkins is very cautious. The representative of the Associated Press here has just received a message from New York stating that it was reported that Dr. Jenkins pronounced the cases aboard the Moravia Asiatic cholera.

Dr. Jenkins was interviewed by an EVENING WORLD reporter again, and reiterated his former declaration that he was not prepared at present to pronounce an opinion.

The Moravia is now anchored in Gravesend Bay, between Fort Hamilton and Norton's Point, about two hundred yards east of the main channel. She is out of the way of passing vessels.

HOW TO AVOID THE PLAGUE. Plans Directives by the Health Department for Self-Protection.

Today the circular, which has been prepared by the Board, containing instructions for the prevention of the cholera and prescribing precautionary measures of treatment in case the patient is suspected of having caught the infection, is before the public.

The circular is as follows: Healthy persons "catch" cholera by taking into their systems through the mouth, as in their food or drink, or from their hands, butters, faxes, pipes, trunks, clothing, etc., the germs of the

malignant and milder form are described as follows: Cholera has many degrees of severity, and generally passes through three stages: the premonitory diarrhoeal stage, the cold, painless or apathetic stage, and, third, the febrile stage. If the other stages are omitted, the duration of the premonitory and cold stages varies from a few minutes to twenty, twenty-four, forty or more hours. The febrile stage lasts from four to eight or more days.

The attack is commonly sudden after a period of incubation, variously fixed from thirty-six to sixty hours up to three to four days. In this country cholera generally precedes the morbid symptoms by two or three days in the slighter form of the disease; but all such cases of severe diarrhoea during our epidemic of cholera ought to be regarded practically as cases of cholera. The diarrhoea is all the more dangerous because it is painless.

Another and worse variety of the disease is seen in those cases, in which, after two or three stools, severe and long-continued cramps come on accompanied and followed by intense symptoms of collapse. In the worst case a mortal coldness comes on from the beginning.

OTHER SHIPS DETAINED. The Vendean and Circassian, the former with 200 and the latter with 200 steerage passengers, will Dr. Jenkins says, be detained for today at least, and perhaps until Friday. The baggage and steerage passengers will be transferred to Hoffman Island some time during the day.

The Italia from Naples, the San Marcos, of the Mallory line, from Galveston; the Colorado, a Wilson line freighter from Hull, and the Mineral, a West Indian trader, were passed early this morning. The Teutonic from Liverpool passed Sandy Hook at 9.50 and arrived off Quarantine wharf at 10.35.

The Polynesian from Hamburg and the Lahn from Bremen are due this afternoon. The Polynesian is expected to be detained at Quarantine since Monday evening, moved to her dock today. Dr. Jenkins reached the conclusion that further detention was unnecessary, inasmuch as every precaution in the way of fumigation and disinfection has been taken.

R. J. Cortis, the agent of the line, could give no information. He did not doubt the truth of the report that cholera had reached the city.

THE MAYOR DOESN'T KNOW IT YET. He will be out of town until tomorrow morning. Mayor Grant left the city at 1 o'clock this afternoon. He had not heard of the twenty-two deaths from cholera on board the Moravia when he left his office.

Secretary Hollis said that Mayor Grant would not return to the city until tomorrow morning.

NEWS AT THE HEALTH BOARD. A meeting will be held to-morrow morning to take action.

When the news was received at the Board of Health this afternoon that twenty-two deaths from cholera had occurred on the Hamburg steamer Moravia, just arrived, it created a sensation.

The only member of the Board at headquarters at that time was Gen. Edmunds, clerk, secretary. He seemed to take the matter very coolly.

"It is what we have been expecting to hear every day," he said, "and it is strange that no cases of cholera have been reported at Quarantine before."

"The case of the Moravia seems to be a pretty bad one, but I do not think New York has anything to fear from the introduction of the disease from that source."

"In my opinion the regulations of the Health Officer are ample to protect the city. We have an illustration of the effectiveness of our quarantine arrangements if we go back to the cholera scare of 1887."

"At that time there were forty deaths at Quarantine, besides the cases which occurred on vessels during the passage, as in the case of the Moravia, but not a single case appeared in New York."

"As for the Board of Health in this city, I do not see what further action can be taken than has already been announced. Our precautionary arrangements are as comprehensive and effective, I think, as could possibly be devised."

"In regard to the present emergency, Health Officer Jenkins has complete control of the passengers and goods in the infected steamer. We have nothing whatever to do with them. Our work will only begin when cholera has made its appearance in this city."

"If any more cases should develop among the Moravia's passengers they will be transferred to the hospital at Swinburne Island, while the rest of the passengers, according to the quarantine arrangements now in force, will be kept at Hoffman Island."

"President Wilson's report," he said, "is a warning," he said, "to the authorities of New York that no precautions can now be neglected to prevent the disease from getting a foothold here. It is now at our very doors, and if a single case should get into the city it might be the cause of a thousand deaths."

The Board of Health will hold a meeting to-morrow morning, at which the matter will undoubtedly be discussed, and any further suggestions that can be made with reference to precautionary measures will be gratefully received.

"I have inspected the arrangements at Quarantine and have the fullest confidence in the care of the cases which have been ordered to be carried out carefully there. If they are carried out carefully there, the pestilence will be passed."

A large number of cases have been reported by inspectors, and the owners of the objectionable vessels have been ordered to remedy all defective sanitary arrangements within twenty-four hours. More than a score of old wells have been discovered in that part of the city north of the Harlem River, and all these the Board of Health has ordered to be closed so long as there is any danger.

In prosecuting this work of general inspection the Board of Health has found that regular corps is not large enough, and a requisition was made upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for an extra appropriation of \$5,000 to engage fifty additional physicians as special medical inspectors for one month. After that time it is believed that the pestilence will be passed.

\$5,000 for More Inspectors. A special meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment was held in the Mayor's office this morning, at which President Wilson presided. The matter was present and made a request for such action as he considered proper.

With regard to the care of cholera patients, should any cases be developed in this city, President Wilson said that the Board had about decided upon a place of isolation, and that its location would be announced publicly to-morrow. Today he was not at the Board.

"It cannot be denied," he added, "that matters have assumed a serious aspect within the last twenty-four hours, and the circumstances call for the utmost vigilance on all sides."

The new corps of fifty medical inspectors was appointed at the meeting to-morrow, and will go to work at once. The appropriation of \$5,000 asked for this purpose having been granted this morning by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Cholera Symptoms. The symptoms of cholera both in its

police and firemen on the watch. In addition to the precautionary measures on the part of the Health Department, the Police Commissioners have instructed the captains of the various precincts to do all in their power to assist in the work of guarding against the outbreak of the scourge.

Supl. Byrnes says that it is better to err on the side of safety than to allow any person to be infected with the disease to remain at large and spread the contagion. In discharging such duties police officers will have the powers of sanitary officers, and will have the

CHOLERA IN DOVER

Three People Said to Be Ill with the Plague.

LIVERPOOL, TOO, INFECTED.

Immigrants Carry Contagion to a Crowded London Quarter.

They Came from Hamburg and Were Permitted to Land.

THE dirty, neglected passages saw bundles of clothing lying on the floors awaiting disinfection. Among these packages were a number of dead bodies which lay in every conceivable way, just as they had been dropped by the attendants.

The doors of the wards opening on the streets are left wide open and the sick can actually see the ever-growing number of the dead.

To get into the wards the people have to step over the corpses and the piles of infected clothing.

So great is the confusion that patients who are not suffering from the epidemic are taken into the cholera wards, where they contract the disease.

The Liverpool Senate has voted 500,000 marks to enable the authorities to cope with the epidemic. Had this vote been passed two weeks ago, it would have saved much misery.

The Liverpool steamship companies have refused to take as passengers any foreigners who come from places infected with cholera.

Franklin, the American consul at Queenstown, has notified the agents of the transatlantic lines that passengers who were affected by cholera should not be allowed to land in the United States.

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scourge is sweeping the city everything has to be improvised.

The ambulance service is altogether too small, and sixty landaus have been hired as auxiliary ambulances.

There are a total of 150 ambulance attendants who all wear their ordinary clothing instead of white.

At the Hospital there are 800 patients suffering from various maladies. The number of doctors is inadequate. When cholera patients are taken into the hospital the ordinary patients are removed into one room to make space for them. The writer declares that he saw 200 dead.

Another doctor reports that the furniture was being pressed into service to carry the bodies to the places of interment.

He says that so great has grown the demand for hospital services that it is proposed to fit up the schools and gymnasia as hospitals.

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SAYS IT WAS A GAMBLING DEBT.

Therefore Lawyer Jones Declines to Honor Checks for \$1,800.

Lawyer Millard H. Jones, of 180 Broadway, is the defendant in a suit brought by Robert J. Loomis to recover \$1,800 due on some checks which it is alleged Mr. Jones gave in payment for a gambling debt.

The checks were drawn to the order of John Chase on the North River Bank on June 11, 1900. The alleged gambling transaction took place in the State of Wyoming, and the checks to which the plaintiff refers were drawn on the North River Bank as a result of the transaction.

Mr. Jones declined to honor the checks and obtained judgment against Mr. Jones by default, and now the defendant has had the judgment set aside pending a request of the court, alleging that they were given in a gambling transaction contrary to the laws of Wyoming, which makes such checks void.

Mr. Jones declined to-day to say anything in regard to the transaction.

NOT A HERO AFTER ALL.

Adams Confesses to Having Placed Ties on the Track.

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 31.—A special from Rochester, Pa., says: George W. Adams, the man who claimed to have saved the west-bound New York and Chicago limited from being wrecked near Enon on the night of Aug. 30 by removing a pile of ties from the track, confesses to having placed the ties upon the track as a part of a scheme for obtaining a reward from the company.

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